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may we QUOTE



you on that?

[1] Pres DWIGHT D EISENHOWER, referring to atoms-for-peace plan: "No nation can live in the true spirit of peace. . . until the trend toward increasingly destructive armaments is reversed." . . . [2] LEWIS

L STRAUSS, chmn Atomic Energy Commission: "The current series of tests has produced much of importance. . . We are convinced that mass hazard from fallout is not a necessary complement to the use of large nuclear weapons." . . .

[3] Pres GAMAL ABDEL NASSER, of Egypt, on withdrawal of American offer to help finance Aswan Dam project—due to Egypt's presumed inability to carry her part of the load: "I say to those behind the uproar, 'May your hate choke you to death.'" . . . [4] MERWIN HART,

pres Nat'l Economic Council: "The American Gov't has carried the idea of do-goodness so far that we have become the laughing stock of many thinking people in the rest of

the world." . . . [5] HARRY S TRUMAN, on "dump Nixon" issue: "I am not interested in Republican fights, except

that I hope they keep them up." . . . [6] Gov AVERELL HARRIMAN (D-NY): "Farmers always have been ready to do battle with the elements — drought, hail, wind and flood—but they can't cope with all these and Eisenhower, too." . . .

[7] Spokesman for Democratic Nat'l Committee, asked about plans for a campaign slogan: "We don't use slogans. They sound too much like huckstering." . . . [8] JEAN SOWARD,

London News Chronicle, on Marilyn Monroe, currently in England to make a movie: "She is a dowdy dresser. Her skirts are too tight, and she should wear a girdle." . . .

[9] Jas C HAGERTY, White House Press Sec'y: "The pres was awfully busy in Panama . . . he is tired."

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A President's effectiveness is measured, in some degree, by the success or failure of his legislative program. Now, in the final days of the 84th Congress, the time is ripe to check on the Administration's accomplishments and frustrations.

By the time you read these lines you may have noted last-minute action on some important measures. Housing, for example. We incline to believe that a bill providing substantial stimulus to housing and related lines will be crowded thru this session. A number of legislators in both houses dislike certain features of the pending measure. But their reluctance is more than offset by increasing pressure from voters who insist that the lagging bldg industry must have "a shot in the arm," not only as relief to this particular segment, but also as a tonic to business generally.

Also, our conclusion is that Social Security will be liberalized, even against Administration disapproval of some provisions. There is strong pressure on both parties. Doubt

Presidential veto.

The President's most publicised failure will, we think, be the civil rights bill. We anticipate that Southerners will sidetrack it in the Senate. But politically this jettisoning may be helpful in Fall elections to Republicans in the North.

On the overall balance Pres Eisenhower has not done too badly. While no one (including the farmer) can be called victor in the matter of farm legislation, the President's philosophy in general prevailed. Also, in gen'l, his ideas on defense spending and for'gn aid were adopted. He lost, of course, on school aid—and that is a damaging defeat. But this can hardly be accepted as a mark against the President's legislative program. The bill was doomed by the Powell Amendment, wholly unacceptable to Southern Democrats. We must also note that it now seems probable the President has failed in his proposals for postal increases, health insurance, revision of Taft-Hartley, Hawaiian statehood—but even the last Democratic President couldn't get action on these items from a Democratic Congress!

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"He who never quotes, is never quoted"

Charles Haddon Spurgeon



AGE—Youth—1

Youth has an overflow of ideas and does not know how to put them into shape. Old age has learned the method, but there is a scarcity of new ideas.—THEODOR REIK, *The Search Within* (Farrar, Straus & Cudahy.)

BEHAVIOR—2

Geo Adam Smith once said, "Some saints have a terribly northeastern exposure; children do not play about their doors, neither do dogs come there to be fed." Do we live with a "northeast exposure"? Do we drive other people away?—ROB'T G TUTTLE, "Why Can't Good People Be Nice?" *Christian Herald*, 7-'56.

BIBLE—3

Always the leader, the Bible chalked up a new record high in sales last yr—an est'd 6,000,000 copies sold.—LAWRENCE GALTON, *American Mag.*

BROTHERHOOD—4

You can boil it down to the really basic things. This man or woman whom I don't especially like, with whom I have nothing in common but a passion for oysters or ballet or mystery novels, is flesh and bone and blood; so am I. Stab him and he'll bleed; I will too. This man has been born as I have been, thru a channel of physical suffering; he has in his lifetime known joy, sorrow and fear, and has in his own

way worshipped God. Therefore, however alien we may appear on the surface one to the other we are brothers, in human experience, in common mortality and in the immortality of the spirit. — FAITH BALDWIN, "Just Thinking Aloud," *Christian Herald*, 7-'56.

CHILD—Discipline—5

It used to be said that a child should be seen and not heard, that he ought to be whipped, that he must speak with deference to elders, that his free time should be occupied with chores. Now a child must speak freely to prevent inhibitions; he must never be punished; he must be allowed to call everyone by first names; and he must express himself in his free time as he chooses. — JEAN WELLINGTON & C BURLEIGH WELLINGTON, Tufts Univ, Medford, Mass, "That Bugaboo — Adjustment," *School and Society*, 7-7-'56.

CHRISTIANITY—6

Positive Christian service, then, is not so much a matter of doing as it is of being; the meaning of our activity depends upon our motivation. — CARROLL A WISE, *Psychiatry of the Bible* (Harper).

Quote

washington

By Les & Liz
Carpenter



Mbrs of Congressional committee investigating Grand Canyon air disaster got some surprising mail. One constituent wrote, scolding his Congressman for probing the crash: "You ought to spend your time on your district — and this didn't happen in your district." Another Congressman rec'd a surefire suggestion for getting the facts next time: equip one passenger in each plane with an automatic-ejection seat and parachute, to guarantee one eye-witness survivor to tell the story.

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An end-of-the-session comment by Rep Harold Ostertag (R-NY): "In this highly political yr, very nearly everything that is happening here has a partisan flavor. And the flavor, as Will Rogers once said, is 'largely applesauce.'"

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Hostess Gwen Cafritz and Mrs Laurence Curtis, wife of the Boston Republican Congressman, came to a small dinner at the Italian Embassy wearing identical—and very expensive—Dior dresses. Reportedly, the ladies both suffered indigestion.

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Gag among gals around Capitol Hill: "Work for Thye; Get a Guy." Ten sec'ys in the office of Sen Edw P Thye (R-Minn) have been married in the last couple of yrs.

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COMMUNISM—7

The challenge of Communism cannot be met successfully until what gives the movement its momentum is thoroughly examined and understood. Communism cannot simply be wished away. It will not collapse by dint of being called bad names. Communism can be overcome only by the example and dissemination of better social and political systems. We shall win converts to the democratic way of life when by the force of example and by Christ-like deeds of mercy and charity we prove that our system actually provides more substantial justice, more genuine freedom and equality than that which the Communist system promises in theory but repudiates in practice.—JOHN H HALLOWELL, Prof of Political Science, Duke Univ, "Communism & Christianity," 1st of Chas E Merrill lectures, Stetson Univ.

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A communist is one who believes in civil liberties in non-Communist countries only. — DAN KIDNEY, *Scripps-Howard Newspapers*.

DEMOCRACY—8

Our kind of democracy depends upon the Christian religion. Its ideas are religious ideas. Its standards are religious standards. Its goals are religious goals. Allow religion to languish and democracy begins to disintegrate. If democracy should ever vanish, it will be because we are not sufficiently Christian. We cannot play at religion and trifle with our inheritance and keep the American way. We deserve our heritage only in proportion as we cultivate the qualities of character worthy of it.—EDW L R ELSON, "Do We Deserve Democracy?" *Christian Herald*, 7-56.

book briefs



Earl Wilson, *N Y Post* columnist, currently in Russia, tells of meeting a Soviet waiter who didn't want to accept a tip. He was sure that American waiters needed the money more than he. "I know," he explained, "that waiters get only \$15 a wk in America."

"Where did you hear that?" Wilson asked.

"I know it," the waiter replied positively. "I read it in a book."

"What book?" persisted Wilson.

"Why," said the waiter, "in Theodore Dreiser's *An American Tragedy*."

The *Post's* "saloon editor" tried to explain that this classic was published a generation ago, when wage scales were a bit different. But the waiter remained only partially convinced.

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Paradoxes, as the late Gilbert Chesterton often remarked, are a source of perpetual puzzlement. Which brings us to a somewhat baffling exchange by two characters in *Comfort Me With Apples*, the recent novel by Peter DeVries. The question of flight into outer space is under discussion. One friend asks another to explain the compulsion that impels him to attempt a flight to the moon. "I must go," the friend replies, "because I feel we've been put on this earth for a purpose."

So many books are written on how to speak that there ought to be a mkt for one on how to shut up.—DAN BENNETT.

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A month or so ago, 1000 teachers and librarians (give or take a few pr of earnest ears) gathered at the Univ of Chicago to listen to sundry discussions on the low state of reading in our land. Lester E Asheim, dean of the University's graduate library school, pointed out that Johnny can read, but doesn't because his fellows don't read and his parents don't read. He can't talk about reading with others, in the way he can discuss last night's tv program or yesterday's ball game. "We'll get nowhere," Dean Asheim concluded, "until we can demonstrate that reading is rewarding in itself."

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Fon M Boardman, Jr, in *Saturday Review*, tells of a female delegate to a mental health conf who cornered Marsh Jeanneret, of the Univ of Toronto Press, and went into extravagant detail concerning a manuscript she had written. To head her off, the publisher agreed to take a look. "Good heavens!" exclaimed the indignant authoress, "I wouldn't think of letting any publisher see my manuscript until the contract is signed!"

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DIVORCE—9

We Americans are terribly concerned over the 30,000 children struck down by polio each yr and the 30,000 who annually become semi-invalids with rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease. Yet each yr the delicate emotional structures of over 150,000 American children are injured by divorce. There are now 5 million such children under the age of 18 in this country. In these uncertain times growing up is a difficult task under the best conditions, but the children whose homes are shattered by divorce have their chances for normal, happy childhood cut way down.—Dr EDW A STRECKER, "Does Divorce Really Hurt Children?" *This Wk*, 7-15-'56.

EDUCATION—10

Education is not the prelude to despair and cynicism, but the eternal overture to hope and expectancy.—FREDERICK MAYER, Univ of Redlands, Calif, "The Aims of Education," *Education*, 6-'56.

ENERGY—11

By the yr 2000, it is estimated, about 10 times as much energy will be used thruout the world as was used in 1947.—ROGER W TRUESDALE, *Rotarian*.

FAMILY LIFE—12

A 13-yr-old boy summed up his answer to the question "What do you think makes a happy family?" in these words: "A happy family reminds me of a baseball team, with Mom pitching, Dad catching and the kids fielding, with everyone taking a turn at bat."—LAVERN W PARMLEY, "Outings and Family Solidarity," *Relief Soc'y Mag*, 7-'56.

FRANCHISE—13

Usually, no one qualified to vote can plead lack of opportunity. "It could only happen in America," a woman said after the last presidential election. She referred to the fact that she lives on an isolated ranch, and that Democratic poll workers provided transportation for her to vote Republican.—FRANK L REMINGTON, "Election Day, U S A," *Catholic Digest*, 8-'56.

Quote scrap book

ORVILLE WRIGHT, born 85 yrs ago (Aug 19, 1871) maintained the role of modest and retiring inventor. Altho, in later yrs, he rec'd innumerable invitations, he rarely attended public functions, and steadfastly refused to speak on such occasions. To a delegation of Dayton business men he explained:

"Public speaking is not for me. I must remind you that in the kingdom of the birds, the parrot is the best talker—and the worst flier."

GOD—and Man—14

It is not the wolfishness of the wolves that bothers God as much as the sheepishness of sheep.—Rev HAROLD SLAGG, *Christian Advocate*.

GREATNESS—15

Greatness is in the kindness, understanding, courage, faith, compassion and desire to aid others that lie within a man's heart and in the way that he uses these qualifications in all his relations with other persons.—GWYNDOLYN SMITH, quoted in *Lion*.

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HUMAN NATURE—16

The ideal of equality is hard to reach because everyone wants equality with someone of higher rank. — HENRY RECQUE, *Weltbild*, Munich (QUOTE translation).

INFLATION—17

In these days of distended credit, it might be well to remind ourselves of Leon Henderson's warning at the beginning of the boom: "A little inflation is like a little pregnancy—it keeps on growing." — SIDNEY J HARRIS, *Chicago Daily News*.

INGENUITY—18

In an East African harbor Dhundhos Dobhassia had a thriving coffee business. "How can you manage it?" asked a friend. "You seem to get approval for every export request."

Dhundhos Dobhassia smiled: "You have to show absolutely no optimism."

"I don't understand."

"Listen. I hand over each request in person to the man in charge. Then I remark with a thoughtful face that I'm convinced that my request will be denied, whereupon the official will shake his head and say that's not necessarily true. Then I say I'm sure it will be denied, so how about a bet . . . say 20 pounds sterling? And never yet have I won a bet!"—*Revue*, Munich (QUOTE translation).

LEADERSHIP—19

The penalty of leadership or the price of popularity can be expressed in 7 words: You must be either approved or disapproved.—*Gosport* (N Y) *Lions Bulletin*.

MODERN AGE—20

The richest man in the old home town at the turn of the century would be classified with the underprivileged now.—*Grit*.

Filled to Capacity

Summer wardrobes once again
Reveal familiar sights.

Gals wear pants that they call
"slacks"

That look much more like
"tights".—JACK HERBERT. 21

MODERN AGE—22

In speaking of the song *The Bonnie Banks of Loch Lomond*, a teacher asked her pupils for an explanation of the line, "You take the high road and I'll take the low road."

A pupil suggested: "One was going by air and the other by bus."—*Enos Magazine*, hm, Enos Coal Mining Co.

MONEY—23

Maybe you can't take money with you—but where would you go without it?—*Enos Magazine*, hm, Enos Coal Mining Co.

MUSIC—24

It does not matter what instrument you play or whether or not you play it well . . . What does matter is that music . . . must be used if your life is to be satisfactorily firm and full.—FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT, *Instrumentalist*.

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Too many people take symphony music as a kind of plaything—to amuse, to pass the time. It is not so at all. Great symphonic music, well-performed, is one of the greatest achievements in the realm of art and one of the finest achievements of the human mind.—BENJ SWALIN, Conductor, *Internat'l Musician*.

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The Sheik

In an arena where heroic figures quickly rise—and as quickly fade—the enduring renown of RUDOLPH VALENTINO stands unique. Three decades have passed since his death (Aug 23, 1926) and he remains unrivaled.

Said an anonymous writer on the 1st anniv of Valentino's death: "There has been nothing in the history of stage or screen to equal the passionate sincerity of devotion evoked by Valentino among his countless women admirers." That is not exaggeration. Scores of women erected shrines to Valentino in their boudoirs; hundreds grew flowers beneath his framed photograph; thousands treasured his memory in their hearts.

But the sheik himself had become sated with feminine adulation. In an interview given John K Winkler of Collier's a few mo's before his death, Valentino proudly boasted that nearly half his fan mail was from men. He went on to say:

"Heaven knows I am no sheik. I had to pose in that role for 5 yrs. A lot of the perfumed ballyhoo was my own fault. I wanted to make money, and so I let them play me up as a lounge lizard. . .

"Now, I am thru with sheiking. . . If any producer comes to me with a sheik part I am going to murder him. I am determined to show I am an actor."

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PHILOSOPHY—25

When you go into an orchard and see lots of sticks and stones under a tree you know that tree has borne some fruit. This little observation should be consolation to those who tend to get discouraged under criticism. No one bothers much about throwing verbal brickbats at people who are doing nothing. The more active and fruitful your life the more you will receive criticism.—*Friendly Chats.*

PROGRESS—26

Once an organization loses its spirit of pioneering and rests on its early work, its progress stops. —THOS J WATSON, noted industrialist who died on June 19.

RESEARCH—27

Recently our home permanent wave industry budgeted for research into ways of improving the looks of human hair about 2 cents per family. The whole nation meanwhile was spending only 3 cents per capita for research into the distressing things that go on inside the human head. — Rear-Adm H G RICKOVER, "The Situation in American Engineering and Scientific Education," *School & Society*, 5-26-'56.

RUSSIA—Education—28

The Russian schoolboy since the 1930's studies science even in the process of learning to read. A 7-yr-old, beginning his primary instruction, learns that "A" is for ampere or atom, rather than for apple. About *one-half* of the student's time in the grade schools is devoted to science in some form. — FRED J COX, Univ of Ala, "The Big Red Schoolhouses," *Education*, 6-'56.

pathways to the past



**Internat'l Rye-Bread-
for-Variety Wk
Nat'l Denim Wk**

Aug 19—Nat'l Aviation Day. . . 100 yrs ago (1856) Gail Borden pat'd condensed milk process. . . 85th anniv b of Orville Wright (1871) who, with brother Wilbur, is credited with developing 1st practical airplane (d, 1948). . . 80 yrs ago (1870) Geo Smith, discoverer of lost Chaldean acc'ts of the Deluge, d (in Turkey) on his last exploration into the beginnings of man.

Aug 21—Feast of St Jane Frances de Chantal (founder Sisters of the Visitation) . . . 235 yrs ago today (1721) Jas Franklin began publishing, in Boston, the *New England Courant* (Benj worked for his brother as an apprentice; contributed items anonymously) . . . The Venetian blind, it seems, did not come to us directly from Venice. This device was pat'd 115 yrs ago (1841) by John Hamson, of New Orleans.

Aug 22—The 1st dwarf exhibited in America (a man 22 inches high) was shown in Boston 185 yrs ago (1771). . . 105 yrs ago (1851) the schooner *America*, sponsored by the N Y Yacht Club, won the Internat'l Regatta, Cowes, England, defeating 14 British yachts. . . Dan'l Frohman, identified with the American theatre for more than 60 yrs, was b 105 yrs ago (1851). He died in 1940.

. . . 45 yrs ago (1911) the painting *Mona Lisa* was stolen from the Louvre in Paris. The resulting man-hunt brought the 1st mass finger-printing of suspects. Two yrs later the masterpiece was voluntarily ret'd by picture-framer Vincenzo Perugia, who confessed he took the painting because the subject resembled his dead girl friend.

Aug 23—30 yrs ago (1926) Rudolph Valentino, renowned screen lover, died of gastric ulcer, in N Y C, at the age of 31. (See GEM Box).

Aug 24—Festival of St Bartholomew.

Aug 25—Feast of St Louis (Louis IX, King of France). . . 70 yrs ago (1886) Germany declared war on Samoa—and was defeated. German marines kidnapped King Malletoa, but U S readiness to fight in Samoan defense led the Imperial Gov't to back down. Thereafter Malletoa reigned under U S—British—German protectorate. . . 1st internat'l polo series (England vs U S) was played 70 yrs ago (1886) at Newport, R I. England won. . . Our Nat'l Park Service was authorized 40 yrs ago (1916).

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Over in Bonn, West Germany, they plan soon to celebrate the 100th anniv of the discovery of the Neanderthal man. (Most reference books date the discovery 1857, but Bonn County Museum, possessor of the precious relics, insists the bones were found in the summer of 1856).

In common with other primitive remains (Cro-Magnon, Heidelberg, Peking, Piltdown, etc) Neanderthal man takes its name from the area of discovery. The Neanderthal valley, a century ago, was a wildly romantic region between Dusseldorf and Elbenfeld, in Rhenish Prussia.

The bones — part of a skull, a shoulder bone and other fragments — were discovered in a limestone cave by Carl Fuhlrott, a mathematics teacher, who stoutly contended they were of a human species then unknown. This idea was generally ridiculed. Fuhlrott did not live to see his theory vindicated, but subsequent discoveries in 1887 and 1908 established Neanderthal man as a distinct primitive species, the earliest representative of the Stone age. There's still a difference of opinion as to the time of the Neanderthals. Some authorities estimate they lived 100,000 yrs ago, which would make them companions of the mammoth and the woolly rhinoceros. It's doubtful if Neanderthal man had a language. But he used fire and made rough stone implements.

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SOLITUDE—29

Many of our modern inventions and devices seem designed to keep people from the calamity of ever being alone. For a long time we have had portable radios; now we have portable television sets. These will save us from the necessity of ever having to rub two thoughts together to make a luminous friction in our minds.—HALFORD E LUCCOCK, *Christian Herald*.

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Without solitude man is but half alive. He is deprived of the full richness of quiet memory and the evaluation of experience, of the total play of the power of intellect, of the exercise of independent judgment and decision, of the experience of human courage, and even of the full knowledge of love.—WM H LOWE, Jr, editor-in-chief, *House and Garden*, editorial 8-'56.

TELEVISION—30

Television has made a family semi-circle out of the family circle. — PETER FRANKENFELD, *Weltbild*, Munich (Quote translation).

TROUBLE—31

Thought for the day: As long as you laugh at your troubles you may be sure that you will never run out of something to laugh at.—*Bendixline*, hm, Bendix Products Div Bendix Aviation Corp'n.

UNITED NATIONS—32

The UN is like the cracker barrel and pot-bellied stove of old, around which the citizens of the world gather, seeking to open up the windows of their minds, to the end that reason and common sense will guide them in thought and deed, realizing full well that wars begin in the minds of men, and it is in our minds that peace must be constructed.—WM TALLEY, chmn, UN Committee, District 4, Lions Club.

VALOR—33

There is a monument at Gettysburg to honor the memory of a color-bearer who became isolated from his regiment after a charge. The regiment retired, but the color-bearer and several men held their ground. The Major sent a messenger thru to the boy, "Bring the colors back to the regiment." The boy repl'd, "Bring the regiment back to the colors."—GEO W OLINGER, *Treasures*.

VALUES—34

It is said that about 200 yrs ago, the tomb of the great conqueror, Charlemagne, was opened. The sight the workmen saw was startling. There was his body in a sitting position, clothed in the most elaborate of kingly garments, with a scepter in his bony hand. On his knee there lay a New Testament, with a cold lifeless finger pointing to *Mark 8:36*; "For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?"—*Origin Unknown*.

WORLD RELATIONS—35

The free world has need that its for'gn policies should fairly measure the realities of the world in which we live. There are certain principles to which we hold: the sanctity of treaties, good faith between nations, the interdependence of peoples from which no country, however powerful, can altogether escape.—Sir ANTHONY EDEN, British Prime Minister.

WISDOM—36

If wisdom were for sale on the mkt place, the stupid wouldn't even ask the price.—Oriental saying quoted in *Wochenpost*, E Berlin (*Quote* translation).

Mr. Q's
column



You may recall that, some 2 yrs back, the Tobacco Industry Research Committee retained Dr Clarence Cook Little to head an 8-man Scientific Advisory Bd, engaged in checking on the effects, baneful or otherwise, of tobacco smoking. The group has been singularly silent these many mo's, but word now comes (via the Committee's public relations counsel) that a rep't may be expected imminently. Presumably this will relate to the cigarette cancer controversy.

The tv chains are concerned over the currently flourishing state of the "free plug"—a situation where one sponsor pays the bill, while another gets a surreptitious coat-tail ride. A popular comedian, for example, may nonchalantly mention his car by name, or make a kidding reference to a hair tonic or dog food. For these gratuities he (or his writers) are handsomely rewarded with tax-free money or merchandise. Some trade jnls are calling for a clean-up of the questionable traffic in "planned puffs."

Peripatetic pilgrims continue to send us items of Great Moment. Example: an inn at Ludwigshafen, Germany, features "Goose breast, a la Grace Kelly." . . . A Cover Girl you may have overlooked: Portland (Ore) Sanitation Dep't has selected Miss Manhole Cover of '56.

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GOOD STORIES AND MORE



In an Eastern Univ, the pres, who was once the director of the evening div'n, was waiting one evening for the elevator. Near him was another man waiting for the same elevator. As men will do under such circumstances they covertly looked each other over.

"You are a student in the evening college?" asked the pres.

"Yep," said the student.

"How long have you been going to evening school?" queried the pres.

"About 7 yrs," ans'd the student. "How long have you been here?"

"Well—let's see," mused the pres, "about 17 yrs, I guess."

"Oh, I see," rejoined the student. "You are working for a degree."

JOHN P DYER, *Ivory Towers in the Mkt Place* (Bobbs-Merrill). a

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It was their 1st child. The husband was at work when he rec'd word that his wife had driven from their home to the hospital and that the big event was expected momentarily.

He dropped everything and rushed to the hospital. They were just wheeling his wife back to her room when he arrived.

"Is everything all right?" he asked.

"I don't know," she said anxiously. "Run out and check the car quick. I had to park in a 2-hr zone." —*Milwaukee Jnl.* b

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I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

ERNEST BLEVINS

I was driving down Olive St, in St Louis when my eye was caught by two shapely girls on the sidewalk. Luckily I was driving only 10 mi's an hr—because I failed to see the light turn red, and rammed the car ahead.

The door of the car in front opened, and a tall muscular man began to unfold himself in sections. He walked purposefully toward my car and put his large hands on the window ledge. Sticking his head thru the window his voice boomed: "That's okay, buddy. I was watchin' 'em too!"

He loved fishing so much that he thought everyone else had to love it. In his zeal he took a novice with him on a fishing trip, furnishing all the tackle. The expert settled the novice in a likely spot and then began fishing not far away. In a little while the novice called, "How much do these red and green things cost?"

"You mean the float?" the expert repl'd. "Oh, about a dime, I guess."

"Well," said the novice, "I owe you a dime; mine has sunk." —*Journeyman Barber.* c

During recess a group of 2nd-grade children were surrounding a popular teacher whose turn for yd duty had come up. As they were talking together three planes, obviously military, came into view, flying in formation. Just as they reached the most advantageous point for the children one of the planes peeled off and climbed steeply and rapidly. Soon he was out of view.

"Miss Alice," said one little boy, "that plane didn't come back."

"No, David, it went up into the sky."

"But," with a perplexed frown, "up there is Heaven, isn't it?"

"Yes, David, Heaven is some place up there."

"Well," said David, "what will that pilot do when he gets to Heaven and finds God doesn't want him yet?"—FRANCIS T BOYLAN, *Chicago Principals' Club Reporter*. d

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A contestant on a tv give-away program had just won \$25,000. "And now, Mr Blodgett," beamed the M C, turning to the lucky winner, "I'm sure our audience would like to know what you're going to do with the money you've just won. Would you mind telling us?"

"Well," said the contestant promptly, "I plan to give it all to charity."

"How wonderful!" exclaimed the M C. Then, turning to the contestant's wife, he asked: "And you, Mrs Blodgett? Does that generous action meet with your approval?"

"Certainly," replied the woman sweetly. "My name is Charity."—HAL CHADWICK, *Catholic Digest*. e

The course of true love never runs smoothly — and the detours aren't much better.—FRANCES RODMAN.

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Egotism is something that enables the man in a rut to think he's in the groove.—CY N PEACE.

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If we could just convince the women that slacks make them look frightful, maybe that'd scare the pants off of 'em!—S S BIDDLE.

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What every little girl wants to grow up to be: noticed.—CAROLINE CLARK.

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A suitor rarely can support a girl in the style to which he accustoms her.—The Office Economist.

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Most children are descended from a long line their mothers once listened to.—Sign in a Washington child-welfare agency.

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Why's it so few guys born with a silver spoon create a stir?—MIKE CONNOLLY, *Hollywood Reporter*.

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The 8th wonder of the world is wondering what will happen next.—Lake Geneva (Wis) Regional News.

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It's hard to keep a good man down—and it is even tougher to hold down a mediocre man with a good press ag't.—Louisville Courier-Jnl.

Quote

Some yrs ago an English furnaceman was taken to the local hospital. A nonconformist minister, who was visiting the patients, was shocked to find the man completely uninstructed in the Christian religion. The minister began to tell him stories from the Bible and, rather unwisely, began with Jonah and the whale. The man showed a distinct interest and at his next visit the minister, much encouraged, embarked, still less wisely, on the story of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, and the burning, fiery furnace. Furnaces were a familiar subject to the sick man and presently he inq'd: "Dost say t'furnace was hotter than furnace at works?"

"Much hotter," repl'd the minister.

"And that chap weren't burned?"

"Not a hair of them was hurt," was the reply.

"Then Ah say," retorted the furnaceman fiercely, "that thee's a bloody liar and Ah don't believe the fish story neither." — *Blackwood's Mag*, London. f

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A young Boston-born matron of our acquaintance, who is now living in exile in a Westchester suburb, dispatched her 3 children to New England a few wks ago to visit their grandmother. They got back last Monday, and the result of their exposure to Northeastern culture became apparent after the youngest of the trio, a lad of 7, had spent some time in front of a television set. Reporting to his mother what he had learned of the doings in baseball that day, he said, "The Yankees lost, but Brookline won." — *New Yorker*. g

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A teacher finding herself presiding over an experimental class in hygiene and health, became more and more uncomfortable as the subject turned, as it so often does in a free discussion period, to the question of babies.

"What is a premature baby?"

Little Kathy saved the day. Quickly, with a show of contempt for the juvenility of the questioner, she said: "Premature babies are babies that are made all right, but were just not finished."

At that moment the bell rang for recess. The children went out: the teacher sat down and they lived happily ever after. — FRANCIS T BOYLAN, *Chicago Principals' Club Reporter*. h

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A teacher was introducing the characters in a reader to her students. She completed the introductions and then began to repeat. When she came to Dick she said, "This is Dick. Dick is a little boy." One of her pupils, also a little boy, spoke quickly to say, "Dick is not a little boy."

The teacher, hurrying on, said: "Yes, Dick is a little boy."

Her pupil persisted and hastened to say, "Dick is not a little boy. He's a big boy. He was a little boy when my brother was in the 1st grade and my brother is in the 3rd grade now." — ELIZABETH P BURRUS, *Texas Outlook*. i

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Two mbrs of a north country church were talking about their minister's singing voice.

One said: "They say his singing over the radio helped sell thousands of radio sets."

"I can quite believe that," said the other. "After hearing him, I sold mine." — *Tit-Bits*, London. j

Light armour

Richard Armour



Oh, Baby!

According to the American Institute of Food Distribution, in the 1st yr of life a baby consumes, among other things, 675 jars of prepared foods, 30 cans of juice, 10 boxes of zwieback, 15 lbs potatoes, 10 doz eggs, 4 lbs bacon, 6 pkgs cereal, 336 cans of evaporated milk, and 22 lbs of sugar.—News item.

Amazing that there should be room
For all the food that babes consume,

That there should be the space inside

Those little bodies, none too wide,
To hold somehow, all by themselves,
As much as fills a grocer's shelves.

But while you think (your head is achin')

Of all those pounds and pounds of bacon,

Those cans of juice and cans of milk

And all the other liquid ilk,
Those packages, not quite ethereal,
Of zwieback and of breakfast cereal,

And sugar, eggs, as well as spuds,
Consider, parents, what your duds
Absorbed, at feeding time—what's more,

How much fell on the kitchen floor
And on the windows, maybe ceiling—

And you will have, I think, the feeling

(Oh, yes, remember too the wall)
That Baby didn't eat it all.

Rep Brooks Hays (D-Ark) tells about a brilliant Senator, somewhat given to overindulgence, who was getting the best of another Senator in a furious debate. In anger, the abstemious Senator said, "At least I am in possession of all my faculties." He got this devastating reply: "And what difference could that possibly make?"—QUOTE Washington Bureau. k

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We had our favorite young nephew stay with us during this school yr. He was a little buckaroo from a ranch in a remote corner of Colorado, but he quickly caught on to the ways of the city.

My wife gave him instruction in dancing and party manners for his 1st school dance, and as he got dressed, I was quite impressed with his sophisticated appearance. I jokingly asked, "Are you taking a date to the dance?"

"Naw," the young sophisticate drawled, "I'm just goin' stud."—CHAS CHRISTIANSON, True. l

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Returnees from California's political battlefield are telling many Stevenson stories. One favorite is about a very antique lady who approached the candidate at a rally and announced she was voting for him because his grandfather had given her a doll!

"Can't you think of a better reason for voting for me?" queried Adlai gently.

The old lady puzzled a bit. Then repl'd, with refreshing candor, "No, I can't!" — MARY VAN RENSSLAER THAYER, Argonaut. m

Quote

SACHA GUITRY, French motion picture director: "Women like quiet men because they erroneously believe that silent men are not only silent, but are also listening to them." (QUOTE translation).

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ALEC GUINNESS, British actor: "England and America are two countries separated by the same language."

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MONA FREEMAN, Hollywood actress: "The 1st time I saw Elvis Presley on tv, I thought something was wrong with my set."

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SECOND CLASS MATTER

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Whether your auto is new and lively, or about ready to be retired, here are some gadgets to improve it. First, has its radio aerial been lost or broken? For about half the cost of a new assembly, you can get a replacement 3-piece chrome telescoping aerial that fits the base of most models. Aerial opens from 22 to 56 in's. You can install it yourself. Price, \$3.95 from *Snyder Mfg Co*, 2218 W Ontario, Philadelphia, Pa.

An automobile tray can be installed in any vehicle. Unit, which

fits under dash, has a tray, drawer, and mirror, and can substitute for an auto sec'y, a snack bar, or even a vanity table. Check auto stores.

And for real class, how about a portable tv-radio that operates on car cigaret lighter as well as house current? Mkt'd by *Emerson Radio & Phonograph Corp'n*, tv-radio weighs 25 lbs, is 12 in's wide, 7½ in's high by 12 in's long, and has an 8½ in screen. Set also has phonograph jack for record-playing thru loudspeaker. \$124.

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